

Dayton School District #8
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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, August 10, 2021

The Board of Directors of Dayton School District No. 8 met for the regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, August 10, 2021 in the District Board Room, broadcast online via Zoom.

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board Vice Chair Ann Coleman called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:00 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

ATTENDANCE

Board Members

Christopher Wytoski, Chair –*absent*
Ann Coleman, Vice Chair
Jeffrey Crapper
Debbie Kearns
Kraig Albright
Terri Paysinger –*absent*
Larry Ringnalda

Administrators/Board Secretary

Steven Sugg, Superintendent
Debbie Diener, Business Manager
Katie Terry, District Secretary
Dana Symons, Grade School Principal
Ed John, Interim Junior High/High School Principal

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION

-It was moved by Jeffrey Crapper, seconded by Kraig Albright, and carried unanimously (5-0) to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- Approve Minutes of July 13, 2021 Regular Board Meeting.
- Confirm employment
 - Nathan Ball, HS Language Arts Teacher (1.0 FTE)
 - Henry Claxton, Grade School Teacher (1.0 FTE)
 - Lisa Willard, Post High Instructional Assistant (0.84 FTE)
 - Gabriela Young, HS Science Teacher (1.0 FTE)
 - Caitlyn Voss, HS Cheer Coach
 - Eric Quillan, JH Language Arts Teachers (1.0 FTE)

REPORTS

Superintendent Steven Sugg Reported:

- Construction continues and we appreciate how well HMK, Triplett Wellman, and Carlson Veit Junge work together and problem solve to keep us on schedule to open

on time. We will get there.

- Last week the governor announced that all K-12 students will have to wear masks indoors. The statewide mandate is a reversal from statements in June. I personally am disappointed about this as I think these things can best be decided in the local communities. When the state makes a mandate people feel unheard and unseen. I do believe this rule is temporary and at some point, hopefully soon, the decision will be returned to local control.
- Hiring is mostly done with just a few vacancies yet to fill. We are excited about the candidates we were able to hire.
- We are struggling to find custodians and the 0.5 district office person. We are working with the classified union on paying a differential for custodial work done after 5:00PM. The two positions we are trying to fill are night custodial positions.
- I am most excited to see our schools filled with staff and students again. It has been a long 18 months since the pandemic shut schools down in March of 2020. 28 short days from now we will see our schools come back to life.
- We have tentatively scheduled a community celebration event for Friday, September 24, 2021. We will have both campuses open for tours by the public to see the renovated schools. We will offer free admission to the football game for all spectators as a way to thank the community for approving the bond and supporting the Dayton School District.
- Dayton Little Guy Football has asked to place Conex box behind the maintenance shed by the football field. They have no place else to store it. I intend to approve this request unless there are objections. There are other organizations that store items on district property such as the ABCDEF.

Paul Chamberlin with HMK Reported:

- The crews are working to get the schools open on time. They are now working on finishing touches on the spaces including installing the ceilings, painting, and installing flooring. It is all on schedule.
- There are a few delays with the construction. There are delays in the glazing of the glass for the windows. We have worked with the vendor to change the chemistry slightly to speed up the delivery time to Mid-August. The First delivery will be August 23rd. Extra crews will be brought in to have windows installed before students arrive. The current plan is to have them installed by September 3rd.
- Internal doors are delayed. They will not arrive until December.
- The Hydronic systems won't be able to heat until October, which shouldn't be an issue with the warm weather during September.
- Window covering (roller shades) will not be installed until late December. The construction crew will work on critical areas first, those who get direct sunlight.
- Smart boards will be installed at the end of the month.
- There is still $\frac{3}{4}$ of the contingency fund (\$700,000-\$800,000) that will be returned to the district for future projects.

Dana Symons, Grade school Principal reported:

- There are many staff that have been on campus teaching summer school. There have been some amazing opportunities for the students including crafts, games, cooking, and di-cut machines.

- Office staff came back today and hit the ground running to get letters out to our families with what to expect at the start of school and encouraging people to enroll.
- We are carefully planning for what we will need for our new spaces and preparing to move back into the building.
- The Focus for the grade school in to create strong relationships with our students. To create a comfortable and caring space/environment for our students who are the least prepared for what this next year will look like by talking to them about what they are doing, how they feel about it, and expectations.
- To accommodate for some of the negatives, the grade school will be focusing on outdoor education as much as we can, including movement breaks, expanding times when they will be able to talk and socialize with their peers.

Ed John, Interim High School Principal Reported:

- Ed is excited to be the interim principal of the Junior High/High School. He worked in administration in Salem Keizer school district for 30 years, opening West Salem High School in 2002 and retiring in 2014. Since then he has worked for ODE, Willamette ESD, and other school districts that needed some support with re-structuring.
- Ed plans of focusing on clear communication and building relations with the staff. He is impressed with the high graduation rates and all of the things that are happening this summer (FFA, Fair, Summer School) and enjoying meeting the students and teachers.

DISCUSSION

Schedule of Board Events

- All staff Welcome Back breakfast and Inservice is August 31, 2021 at 7:30AM in the High School Commons. All Board members are invited and encourage to attend.
- Next Regular Board Meeting Tuesday, September 14, 2021, beginning at 7:00PM in the District Board Room.

Steve was able to meet with Vince Adams, OSBA Representative, to review a calendar and suggest some possible dates for strategic planning sessions. The first possible work session will be September 28, 2021 to go over expectations. The board agreed to hold September 28 as a possible work session.

School Reopening Plans

The goal is to have all students return to in-person instruction five days a week beginning on September 7, 2021. Except for mask wearing indoors, the school day will be what students, staff and parents are familiar with. We will utilize the skills we learned during the pandemic to improve the education we are offering students. Distance Learning will be available for students and families that are not ready to return full time.

Health and safety of students and staff remain our top priority. We will maintain our practice for frequent cleaning of high touch areas. We will have signage reminding students, staff and visitors about hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette (sneezing/coughing into your elbow). Hand sanitizer will be readily available throughout the buildings. The HVAC system that was updated during the summer, new windows, and air purifiers will help provide fresh clean air.

New nurse's offices in both buildings will provide better isolation spaces for students that are not feeling well. The district does have a full time nurse who is available every day. We will continue to

work closely with the Yamhill County Public Health Department. We will follow the Governor's facemask guidance and students, staff, contractors, and visitors will be required to wear face coverings in schools during school hours. When face covering returns to local control, we will base our decision on circumstance in Yamhill County, Dayton School District and Dayton Community. We will monitor data from OHA, Yamhill County Public Health and DSD Regularly.

Masks will not be required for indoor sports participants, officials, coaches or spectators. The use of face coverings will be encouraged. The district will participate in the diagnostic screening program for voluntary extracurricular activities.

BUSINESS

Physical Restraints and Seclusions Annual Report

This is an annual report that is made publically available it year.

-It was moved by Jeffrey Crapper, seconded by Larry Ringnalda, and carried (5-0) to approve the Physical Restraints and Seclusions Annual Report as presented.

Statement on Local Control

There has been a lot of talk around the state about the mask mandate and school districts pushing back. It is important to allow the School Board to have a discussion and see where we stand as a board. Yamhill county commissioners did put together a letter, but let them know that we hadn't had a chance to discuss the topic and would not be included in the letter until we had a chance to meet.

-It was moved by Jeffrey Crapper, seconded by Kraig Albright, and carried unanimously (5-0) to support the motion on local Control.

Adding 5th Corner Academy as a Private Alternative Program

5th Corner Academy has been approved by the Oregon Department of Education to be a therapeutic program. Every year we approve our alternative programs where we could place students into. What this would mean is that students would enroll in Dayton resident schools, counseling teams would meet and agree on placement before a contract is put in place.

-It was moved by Jeffrey Crapper, seconded by Debbie Kearns, and carried unanimously (5-0) to add 5th Corner Academy as a Private Alternative Program.

The Board Vice Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:44 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Ann Coleman, Vice Chair
Dayton Board of Education



Katie Terry, Board Secretary
Dayton Board of Education